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Application of:	Bitler et al	<u>Parent Application</u>
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Title:	Polymeric Modifying Agents	
(Divisional of Serial No. 09/216,640, filed December 16, 1998)		

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CLEAN COPY OF CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

1. A composition which comprises
 - (1) a matrix material; and
 - (2) a modifying agent which
 - (a) comprises
 - (i) a polymeric moiety which comprises a crystalline polymeric moiety having an onset of melting temperature T_O and a peak melting temperature T_P such that $T_P - T_O$ is less than $T_P^{0.7}$; and
 - (ii) a catalytic moiety which, when in contact with the matrix material at an elevated temperature, catalyzes a chemical reaction of the matrix material, and
- is in the form of solid particles which

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